



528TH SUSTAINMENT BRIGADE (SPECIAL OPERATIONS)(AIRBORNE)

BIOGRAPHY

SERGEANT CATALINA M. RUIZ Died 6 October 2011

Sergeant Catalina M. Ruiz assigned to 112th Signal Battalion, 528th Sustainment Brigade (Special Operations)(Airborne), Fort Bragg, N.C. was a victim of an off-post murder-suicide incident in Fayetteville, Oct.6.

Ruiz, a native of Phoenix, Ariz., joined the Army in 2006 as a supply specialist, where she served with distinction while assigned to the 112th Signal Bn. She was then selected and trained in 2010 to be a member of an all-female Special Operations Cultural Support Team and served in Afghanistan from January through August of this year.

Ruiz's military education includes Airborne School, Small Arms Maintenance, and the Cultural Support Team Qualification Course.

Her awards and decorations include the Army Achievement Medal, the Army Good Conduct Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Afghanistan Campaign Medal (with Campaign Star), the Global War on Terror Service Medal, the Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Service Ribbon, the NATO Medal, the Parachutist Badge, the Combat Action Badge, the Driver and Mechanic Badge.

Ruiz's duty stations include Fort Bragg, Fort Lee, Va., and Fort Jackson, S.C.

She is survived by her three children, her mother Rosemary Martinez, and father Juan Miguel Ayon.

As of: 07 October 2011